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SUBJECT: PROPOSED WORKSHOP ON OCEANOGRAPHY

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1. REFTEL PROVIDED PRELIMINARY OUTLINE OF PROPOSED WORKSHOP ON OCEANOGRAPHY AND REQUESTED EMBASSY OBTAIN GOI APPROVAL OR COMMENTS SO THAT NSF COULD PROCEED WITH ARRANGEMENTS AT THIS END. SINCE THEN, THOSE CONCERNED HAVE ALSO INFORMALLY AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO HOLD THE OCEANOGRAPHY WORKSHOP BACK-TO-BACK WITH THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SUBCOMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

2. THE GOI HAS INDICATED ITS PREFERENCE TO HOLD THE S&T SUBCOMMISSION MEETING IN NOVEMBER 1978. ALTHOUGH THE USG IS NOT YET ABLE TO SUGGEST A SPECIFIC SET OF DATES TO THE GOI FOR THE SUBCOMMISSION MEETING IN NEW DELHI, AT THIS TIME WE FAVOR NOVEMBER.

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3. NSF INFORMS US THAT FORMAL NOTIFICATION FROM THE GOI CONCERNING THE FOUR NUMBERED ITEMS IN PARA 2 OF REFTEL IS NEEDED BY JULY 10 IF IT IS TO BE ABLE TO COMPLETE FUNDING AND OTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR A WORKSHOP IN NOVEMBER. IF THE APPROVALS AND DESIGNATIONS LISTED IN PARA 2 OF REFTEL

FAIL TO REACH NSF BY THAT DATE NSF MUST AGAIN REGRETFULLY
PUSH BACK THE PROPOSED WORKSHOP DATE TO JANUARY, 1979.
DR. REVELLE UNDERSTANDS THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A POST-
PONEMENT BUT HOPES IT WON'T BE NECESSARY.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: ALTHOUGH DEPARTMENT AND NSF RECOG-
NIZE THAT IT MAY BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR EMBASSY TO HASTEN
GOI ACTION, WE BELIEVE WE WOULD BE DERELICT ON OUR PART
IF WE DID NOT REQUEST EMBASSY TO INFORM GOI OF THE INEVITA-
BLE CONSEQUENCES OF FURTHER DELAY IN APPROVING THE BASIC
UNDERSTANDINGS NECESSARY TO PROCEED WITH THE WORKSHOP.
CABLED RESPONSE ACTION NSF IS REQUESTED. VANCE

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